RN97085 SERIAL 09/463,525 SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following amendment and remarks.

In the claims:

Please amend claim 29 as follows:

29. (Twice amended) A composition according to Claim 27, wherein said agent bearing a carboxylic acid function and a function which reacts with a free isocyanate function is a masking agent bearing a carboxylic acid function.

Marked-up amended claims according to 37 C.F.R. 1.121 are submitted in the attached document. Added matter is shown by underline and deleted matter is shown by brackets.

It is asserted that these amendments do not add new matter and are supported by the specification and claims as originally filed. Entry of these amendments is respectfully

requested,

## **REMARKS**

Claims 27, 29, 30, 32, 37-40, 43, 45-50, and 52-55 are pending in the application.

Claims 27-55 have been rejected.

Claim 29 has been amended.

Claims 28, 31, 33-36, 41, 42, 44, and 51 have been canceled.

Claims 46, and 53-55 are kept unchanged.

The rejection of claims 27-43, 46-51, and 55 under 35 U.S.C. 102 (b) as being anticipated over EP 680,984, is respectfully traversed and is addressed in light of the comments below.